HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE C.V.NAGARJUNA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO.20646 of 2007

Dated: 06-11-2007

Between:

B.Subhash Reddy

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AND

The State Transport Authority,
Rep by Secretary, Hyderabad.
And others.

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Counsel for the petitioner : Sri T.Venkata Ramana

Counsel for the respondents : A.G.P. for Transport.

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O R D E R:

This writ petition is filed for a writ of mandamus to declare the inaction of respondent No.1 in considering application dated 12.8.2004 of the petitioner for grant of counter signature in respect of pucca permit granted by the State of Karnataka vide permit No.02/2004-05 on the inter-state route Cintamani to Hindupur as illegal and arbitrary.

At the hearing, Sri T.Venkata Ramana, learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that this case has a chequered career and the petitioner's application dated 12.8.2004 to grant counter signature for the inter-state pucca permit granted by the State of Karnataka is not being disposed of for no valid reason.

Learned Assistant Government Pleader says that respondent No.1 will expeditiously dispose of the representation of the petitioner.

A perusal of the material available on record shows that though the petitioner was granted pucca permit of inter-state route Chintamani to Hindupur as far back as 5.2.2002 by the State Transport Authority, Karnataka, he is still struggling to effectuate the said permit on account of various rounds of litigation which he was subjected to. I do not see any justification whatsoever in respondent No.1 keeping the application dated 12.8.2004 filed by the petitioner for counter signature pending for more than three years. It is the bounden duty of respondent No.1 to expeditiously dispose of the applications received by it, lest the very purpose for which they are filed will be frustrated.

In the above circumstances, respondent No.1 is directed to dispose of application dated 12.8.2004 of the petitioner for grant of counter signature within a period of two months from today.

The writ petition is accordingly disposed of.

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C.V.NAGARJUNA REDDY,J

Date:06.11.2007
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